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SUBJ: DEPT DENIAL OF WASHINGTON STAR STORY

DEPT SPOKESMAN TODAY DENIED THE WASHINGTON STAR
STORY OF SUNDAY WHICH CLAIMED THAT SYRIA IS CLEARING
MILITARY MOVES IN LEBANON WITH ISRAEL THROUGH THE UNITED
STATE. FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS OCCURRED IN THE
DEPT NOON BRIEFING TODAY:

QUOTE

Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON JERRY O'LEARY'S STORY ON
SUNDAY ON THE ROLE THAT THE UNITED STATES IS PLAYING
BETWEEN SYRIA AND ISRAEL--MOVING INFORMATION?

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A. THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS CLEARED IN ADVANCE WITH
ISRAEL?

Q. YES.

A. THAT IS CLEARLY A HIGHLY SPECULATIVE AND MISLEADING
ARTICLE. IT IS UNTRUE THAT THE UNITED STATES IS CLEARING
SYRIAN MILITARY ACTIONS WITH ISRAEL. KISSINGER UNQTE
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